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## **Former Dodger Stadium Security Guards Plea No Contest to Theft of Team Merchandise**

Three men entered no contest pleas today in connection with stealing and selling Los Angeles Dodgers merchandise over a three-year period, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Juan DeDios Prada, 59, of Palmdale and Fernando Sierra, 63, of Lancaster each pleaded no contest to one count of second-degree commercial burglary. Jesse Luis Dagnesses, 51, of Huntington Park pleaded no contest to one count of receiving stolen property exceeding \$950 in value, baseballs and baseball jerseys.

All three were immediately sentenced to three years formal probation, 120 hours of Caltrans work and ordered to pay \$2,500 in restitution to the Dodgers.

The three defendants also were ordered not to sell any memorabilia while on probation. If they violate probation they are subject to a 16-month county jail sentence.

Between 2013 and 2016, Prada and Sierra both worked as security guards at Dodger Stadium when they conspired with Dagnesses to steal baseball equipment, uniforms and merchandise and sell them online.

According to evidence presented at the preliminary hearing, Prada and Sierra used masks, gloves and headlamps to enter a locked equipment room at the stadium and steal the equipment.

Case BA444400 was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Daniel Merrick.

The Los Angeles Police Department, Northeast Division, investigated the case.

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